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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Toshifumi SAKAGUCHI et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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SIR:

Prior to conducting a first examination on the merits of the above-identified application, kindly amend Figure 21 of the drawings thereof according to the Annotated Sheet attached. A Replacement Sheet incorporating the change is also attached.

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